

**The  
Newark  
Department  
of Health  
and Human  
Services**



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 Municipal Council

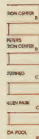
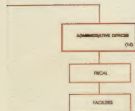
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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

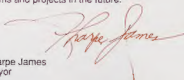
The Newark Department of Health & Human Services is one of the most vital and active Departments in our city. It provides services for the entire population of the city, ranging from infants to senior citizens. It provides medical and nutritional care, recreational and cultural activities and aids welfare clients and homeless individuals.

This busy Department, in many cases, is the first and often the only one that a large number of our residents use. As such, it has the responsibility for providing efficient and professional services for improving the health and well-being of those in need.

Two of the most serious problems the Department handles are problems that are not just confined to Newark. Our city, like those throughout the nation, continues to help the growing numbers of homeless individuals and people afflicted with AIDS. These are difficult problems, the solutions for which have not been found on the national level, so we must do the best we can locally.

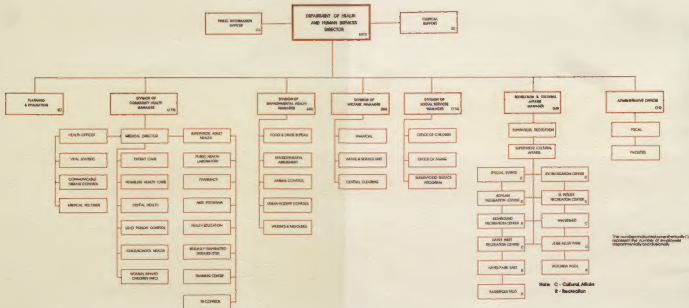
I am pleased that the Department, while dealing with the medical and social needs of our citizens, also works to improve the quality of life for our residents, both young and old, through its Social Services Division and the Division of Recreation and Cultural Affairs, a division that was created early in my administration. The programs of the Divisions allow residents of all ages to find social, recreational and cultural outlets, and to pursue involvement in sports and other programs, that encourage mental and physical growth and the development and maintenance of healthy minds and bodies.

The Department's broad scope of concern reflects our city government's concerns for our residents. We have moved forward in many areas during the past year and I know that with the help of our City Council we will continue to enhance these very important programs and projects in the future.



Sharpe James  
Mayor





#### DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

One of the most exciting things about being Director of the Newark Department of Health and Human Services is that each day presents new challenges. In large part this stems from the tens of thousands of patients and clients we see each year.

Most of those who use our services need help of some sort. We must work with federal, state, county and local agencies to make sure that help is provided. The rewards and satisfactions that come from successfully providing services are great. Our successes are many and varied.

To be sure, not every problem or concern can be easily solved. But, I feel, by using common sense and hard work almost any issue can be addressed.

Our scope of activities, from providing nutritional food for an infant in need to providing meals and cultural events for many of our senior citizens, makes our daily activities varied and gives us the opportunity to provide a more effective and efficient delivery system.

The support of Mayor James, and the City Council, of the Department also reflects their strong commitment to the health and welfare of all Newarkers.

*C. Foster Struggs*

Callie Foster Struggs  
Director  
Health and Human Services



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1988 ANNUAL REPORT

# Services From infancy Onward

*The Newark Department of Health and Human Services aids Newark residents in a wide variety of ways. From prenatal health care through senior citizen meal programs and activities, from day care centers through recreational and cultural activities for all ages, from filling prescriptions to providing environmental and product safeguards. Here are just a few of the many areas of concern in which the Department works to make life better and healthier for Newarkers.*

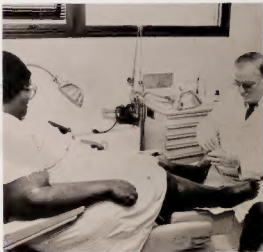


*Preschoolers at one of the day care centers in the city.*

*A pre-schooler is examined at the Child Health Conference.*



*Foot problems are taken care of in the city's Podiatry Clinic.*



*The Dental Clinic provides a full range of services.*



*A youngster being examined in the city's Pediatric Clinic.*





*One of the many get-togethers at a senior citizen center.*

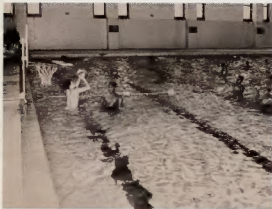
*Mothers and children are aided through the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) supplemental food program.*



*Day care providers learn arts and crafts at the Newark Office of Children.*

*Senior citizens line up for lunch in one of the city's senior citizens centers.*





*Swimming and games in the JFK Recreation Center pool.*



*Ice skaters can find a variety of activities at the Ironbound Recreation Center.*

*Youngsters enjoy the outdoors at one of the city's Recreation centers.*



*The Newark Senior Citizen Commission was re-activated in 1988. The Commissioners, standing from left, are: Liberato Mautone, Rev. Ray Sabo, Wilmore Holman, Bernard Gousse, Kitty V. Taylor, Maurice Strickland, Jethro James and Ana Ateca. Seated, from left, are: Dr. E. Alma Flagg, Pearl Davenport, Florence Johnson and Rev. Leuin B. West. Not pictured are Pansy Greenleaf, William L. Johnson, Sr. and Louise Eperson.*



## DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

BUREAU OF CHILD HYGIENE/PAROCHIAL SCHOOL HEALTH provides a wide range of pediatric services to children. The Child Hygiene Program serviced 6,630 children during 1988. Services provided included physical examinations, immunizations, health education and counseling, laboratory testing and vision, hearing and developmental assessments.

During the summer, camp sports and pre-kindergarten examinations were offered. Children at day care centers under the City's auspices received medical assessments and screenings on site. An annual audit of the health records of children in the City's day care centers and parochial schools continues to decrease the noncompliance with state mandated immunizations.

In 20 parochial schools, some 7,000 children received first aid training, health education programs, physical, vision and hearing tests, blood pressures tests and screenings for tuberculosis and scoliosis.

The Immunization Clinic provided services to 9,657 children and adults referred through the Division's medical clinics.

The Bureau continues to draw blood for testing from the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program, Lead Poison Control and Child Health Conference clients.

The Newark-Essex Child Adolescent Health Center, which opened in late 1987, continues to see all Medicaid eligible children from birth through 21 years of age.

Tests performed by the Bureau of Child Hygiene/Parochial School Health

	1987	1988
Physicals	6,974	7,533
Hemoglobins	3,367	3,711
Blood Pressure	644	1,995
Immunizations	11,444	9,657
Scoliosis	3,434	3,390
Vision	8,229	8,455
Hearing	6,182	5,377

TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL PROGRAM works toward the reduction of tuberculosis morbidity in Newark and Essex County. The Field Operations Division of the program was operated by the City's Division of Community Health, while the Clinical Division of the Program was directed by the Department of Pulmonary Medicine of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. Both divisions are at the Waymon C. Latimore Comprehensive Pulmonary Clinic at University Hospital.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Total Number of New Verified Cases	124	154
Total Number of Active Cases (Adult and Children)	339	130
Total Number of Cases, Suspects Reported (Adult and Children)	178	73
Total Number of Clinic Visits	5,396	5,066

BUREAU OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL is responsible for preventing and controlling the spread of infectious and communicable diseases. The activities of the Bureau include epidemiological services, sample collections for laboratory analyses, maintaining a central registry for immunizations and communicable diseases, rabies control and swimming pool inspections.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Inspections/Reinspections	1,392	1,137
Specimens	821	2,930
Animal Bite Investigations	2,065	1,815
Flu Inoculations	1,690	1,222

HEALTH CARE FOR THE HOMELESS, a special project to bring medical and social services to the homeless at soup kitchens and shelters in 17 locations throughout the city, began its fourth year of operation in 1988. This pilot project was begun in 1985 and funded for a four year period through a \$1.2 million grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation of Princeton. During 1988 the project provided health and social services to some 580 homeless clients who were receiving welfare, 1,260 families receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children, 85 homeless senior citizens and 60 working homeless individuals living in shelters.

Another 1,850 clients, who were ineligible for any public benefit programs, were treated and referred to other agencies for additional services, as well as 37 homeless veterans who received health care services and were referred to the Veterans Homeless Program for additional aid.

Because of the growing community awareness program more than 300 people from Newark and surrounding areas donated clothing which was distributed at homeless soup kitchens and shelters.

A \$552,042 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services allowed the project to expand in 1988 to include mental health and substance abuse services.

Psychiatric counselors aided 184 individuals and 195 clients were counseled for alcohol and/or drug abuse problems, with 18 entered into long-term treatment facilities and 73 referred for alcohol or drug detoxification. In August a \$77,500 grant from Com c Relief provided preventative health care to homeless children at family shelters and soup kitchens providing them with a variety of health tests and screenings.

**BUREAU OF SOCIAL SERVICES/MEDICAL RECORDS** arranges social services for Newark's indigent who seek, or are referred to, the various services of the Division of Community Health. In 1988 the bureau interviewed individuals to determine their eligibility for prescriptions and provide approval for prescriptions from outside agencies. The bureau also functions as a focal point for all clients' information for computerization.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Clients Served	15,809	15,418
Prescriptions Approved	26,960	27,328

**BUREAU OF HEALTH EDUCATION** is responsible for providing health education to the public. This is accomplished through health fairs, speaking engagements, workshops and in-service staff training sessions. The Bureau responded to 127 requests from individuals and organizations seeking information in 1988. It also conducted 238 group presentations attended by 4,023 people, distributed 38,273 pieces of literature and counseled 28 individuals on weight control. The Bureau participated in six community health fairs, provided breast self-examination instruction to 247 women and helped plan and organize the City Council Forum on AIDS at the Prudential Insurance Company, which was attended by representatives of 95 organizations. The Bureau conducted three American Heart Association Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation courses, conducted eye screenings during Eye Health Week in March and screened 247 individuals for cholesterol.

**BUREAU OF MEDICAL PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICES** is responsible for a wide range of preventive, diagnostic and therapeutic services to the medically indigent and welfare clients. These services include gynecological and pharmacy services.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Visits to Medical Clinics	6,173	7,665
Metabolic Clinic Visits	1,937	2,152
Podiatry Clinic Visits	1,421	1,175
INH (TB) Therapy Visits	2,649	847
Gynecology Visits	355	282
Prescriptions Filled	27,431	26,862

**BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS** reports, stores and records all births, deaths and marriages occurring in Newark as well as those in other communities concerning Newark residents. It notified other municipalities of births, deaths and marriages of their residents that occurred in Newark and searched for

and issued, upon request, birth, death and marriage certificates

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
<b>Births Recorded:</b>		
Newark Residents	6,674	5,163
Non-Residents	3,047	2,961

**Adult Deaths Recorded:**

Newark Residents	3,024	3,085
Non-Residents	1,168	1,340

**Infant Deaths Recorded:**

Newark Residents	111	185
Non-Resident	109	160
<b>Total Marriage Certificates Issued</b>	<b>2,515</b>	<b>2,336</b>

**WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM** provides nutritious supplements, food, screening for anemia, and nutrition education to eligible pregnant, postpartum and breast feeding women and to children aged 1 to 5 years old. In 1988, 1,722 pregnant women joined the program, an increase of 143 over the previous year. Also, in 1988, 3,186 infants were enrolled in the program, 74 more than the previous year. The program provided \$4,145,706 worth of food, including cheese, milk, eggs, cereal, peanut butter, beans and juices to the participants.

As a result of the program's education activities and individual counseling to high risk WIC participants follow-up visits showed evidence that their nutritional status was improving.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Participants Enrolled	11,936	12,558

**PHARMACY** dispenses medications and drugs to patients being treated through the various clinics and agencies of the Department of Health and Human Services. This includes filling prescriptions for those being treated through the Homeless Health Care Project and Child Health Conferences.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Total Patients Served	5,836	12,510
	(Records began 7/87)	

**Prescriptions Filled by Category**

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Medicare	1,694	1,514
Newark Welfare	12,675	11,327
Other	8,013	7,186

Homeless	2,114	1,696
INH (TB) Therapy	n/a	480
Refills	2,935	4,659
Total Number of Prescriptions	27,431	26,862
Total Expenditures	\$194,825	\$225,943

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY provides laboratory testing services for all divisional diagnostic and therapeutic clinics and laboratory support for several federally and state funded community programs operated by the Department. The laboratory services include hematology, serology, biochemistry and testing for substance abuse, as well as services concerned with childhood health problems with emphasis on sickle cell and lead poison testing.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Total Laboratory Tests Performed	58,258	57,806

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES (STD CLINIC) is both a training facility and a provider of diagnostic and treatment services to Newark and Essex County residents. Clinical care, interviewing and investigative services are provided for such diseases as gonorrhea, syphilis, pelvic inflammatory disease, scabies, herpes and nonspecific vaginitis. The Training Center, one of 10 such centers in the country, trained 176 students from throughout the U.S. and overseas last year. Patients with AIDS (HIV) symptoms are referred for treatment at facilities in Newark.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Total Patients Served	14,885	12,436

Number of Patients Diagnosed and Treated for the Following Diseases

Early Syphilis	360	635
Late Syphilis	353	159
Gonorrhea	4,248	3,802
Non Gonococcal Urethritis	1,885	2,037
Venereal Warts	428	298
Herpes	109	91
Trichomonas	519	405
Pubic Lice	276	233
Penicillin Resistant Gonorrhea (PPNG)	85	250*

(\*The 194 percent increase in Penicillinase-Producing *Neisseria Gonorrhoea* (PPNG) reflects the rise in this strain of disease that has occurred throughout the State of New Jersey.

From July, 1980 through December, 1988 according to the records of the N.J. State Department of Health, there were 1,110 cases of AIDS among Newark residents. This represents 751 males and 306 females. Of the total, 53 were pediatric cases. 506 were male intravenous drug users, 232 were female intravenous drug users and 70 were heterosexual contacts and 622 died from the disease.

BUREAU OF DENTAL HYGIENE provides dental health services to the medically indigent and welfare clients on a routine emergency basis. The Bureau works with the Board of Education to promote dental hygiene and provide dental services to school children.

Services Provided	1987	1988
Examination	1,333	1,493
X-Rays	6,138	5,581
Prophylaxis	375	413
Periodontal Evaluation/Treatment	1,020	1,132
Restoration/Prosthetics	1,254	1,373
Oral Surgery	500	659
Educational Programs	659	1,038
Total Services Provided	11,279	11,689
Total Number of Patients	2,910	3,101

LEAD POISONING CONTROL identifies, tests and refers children with elevated blood levels to medical institutions and identifies the source of the lead in order to eliminate it from the child's environment. Of the 6,072 screened for lead poisoning in 1988, 8.2 percent were found to require diagnostic evaluations for lead toxicity. A centralized laboratory which was opened in October, 1987 saw a total of 479 children that year. In 1988 the laboratory tested 2,463 children, clearly providing a facility through which children who might not have received lead testing are now being screened. In 1988 the number of children in case management was 715, a drop from the 940 in the previous year.

	1987	1988
Children Screened	5,272	6,072
Positive Results	455	275
Properties Inspected for Lead Hazards	615	374
Properties Deemed to be Lead Hazards	244	251
Properties Abated	235	128



## DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

**ANIMAL CONTROL BUREAU** picks up stray animals from the streets of the city and monitors the activities of the Associated Humane Societies (AHS) which, under contract, provides animal control services to the city, including shelter, pickup and disposal of animals

	1987	1988
Licenses issued	2,842	1,615
Live animals picked up by City Wardens	4,154	4,412
Dead animals picked up by City Wardens	1,249	1,476
Live animals picked up by AHS	290	364
Dead animals picked up by AHS	93	128
Live animals brought in by residents	1,960	1,919
Dead animals brought in by residents	73	55

**RELOCATION PROGRAM** under a matching grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, relocates persons living in unfit buildings as determined by the Municipal Code Enforcement Division and provides monetary assistance to the displacees for rental and moving expenses

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Houses condemned (Includes multi family)	83	38
Claims filed	45	51
Families assisted (one or more people)	206	255
People displaced	498	515

**FOOD AND DRUG BUREAU** is responsible for overseeing the proper handling of food and drugs in wholesale and retail operations in Newark and correcting violations in accordance with the local laws and ordinances. The Bureau also conducts a foodhandler education program in English and Spanish and conducts a food sampling program intended to protect residents from consuming adulterated or potentially hazardous foods

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Establishments inspected	5,245	4,643
Establishments cited for violations	1,437	1,779
Establishments with violations abated	1,168	1,090
Cases turned over to court	32	85
Licenses approved	922	860

Pending re-investigations for  
abatements

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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS provides air pollution control services and emergency responses are provided to residents through the Division's participation in the Suburban Regional Health Commission (SRHC). All sources of air pollution are surveyed and registered, and complaints for air and noise pollution are responded to.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Air pollution inspections	298	251
Follow up inspections	601	550
Violations cited	122	86
Emergency responses	50	21
Legal actions	69	72

RODENT CONTROL PROGRAM is responsible for the control of rat infestation in neighborhoods in the city. It provides preventive health education consultations to residents, surveys premises for rat infestation causative conditions, provides supplemental rat killing and rat complaint investigations and abatement on a city wide basis.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Properties surveyed for rat infestation	2,304	1,401
Preventive health education consultations	1,046	613
Rodenticide applications	1,243	674
Rat complaint investigations and abatements	698	718

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BUREAU inspects and tests all weighing and measuring devices used by businesses in Newark to make certain that such devices are accurate at all times and to prevent the perpetuation of fraud.

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Inspections made to retail stores	1,746	1,460
Weighing and measuring instruments tested	3,437	3,405
Weighing and measuring instruments condemned	207	167
Complaints investigated	35	7
Food in package form re-weighed or re-measured for accuracy	83,736	84,147
Court cases convictions for fraud	27	23

## **DIVISION OF RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (D.O.R.C.A.)**

The Division was created as a unit of the Department of Health and Human Services in 1986. During the year the Division conducted a wide range of recreational and cultural activities for youths and adults, many of which were "firsts" for the city. The Division also enhanced its ongoing projects through increased outreach efforts to increase participation in its programs and their visibility. A total participation of some 526,175 means the Division had a service delivery rate of 164 percent of the City's population.

SUMMER PROGRAMS were conducted at Hayes East Pool, Hayes West Pool and Recreation Center, Jesse Allen Park, the Ironbound Little League and Kasberger Fields, Boylan Pool and Recreation Center, St. Peter's and Ironbound Recreation Centers and the John F. Kennedy Pool.

The summer program varied at each location, but included games, sports, arts and crafts, dance, drama, field trips and, where available, swimming. Some of the facilities offered senior citizen programs.

Also during the summer, in cooperation with the Newark Board of Education, 32 school playgrounds were used as official summer recreation sites, featuring sports, crafts and food service.

Camp Watershed was in its 16th year of operation last year. The program, operated at the city-owned Watershed property in West Milford, provided computer training, dramatics, games, arts and crafts, boating, archery, field sports, nature hikes, historic site visits, swimming and first aid demonstrations to some 1,000 youngsters.

SUMMER TRANSPORTATION AND CAMPSHIP PROGRAM is funded by the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection to provide youth organizations and community block groups with transportation to social, cultural, camping and recreational activities during the summer. Some 10,000 to 12,000 youngsters participated in these activities and visited state parks, museums, beaches and amusement parks.

YEAR-ROUND PROGRAMS were at Hayes West, Ironbound and Boylan Recreation Centers, John F. Kennedy Pool and St. Peter's Recreation Center. The programs, which also included some senior citizen activities, included swimming, games, soccer, football, weight training, track and field events, ice skating, hockey and arts and crafts.

AFTER SCHOOL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM in conjunction with the Newark Board of Education, continued at 15 schools (three in each ward) from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. every day during the school year. Along with tutorial services, the programs included arts and crafts, sports, games and special events.

PUBLIC ICE SKATING PROGRAM was enlarged and expanded during 1988 at the Ronbound Recreation Center. Beginning in November, the schedule was expanded from four afternoons a week to seven. Residents from all over the city came to the center for ice skating and once or twice a week other recreation centers bused youngsters to the center. The program attracted some 55,000 skaters.

In addition to the public skating program, the center also sponsors a "Sticks and Pucks" hockey program for older hockey players and a "Learn to Skate" program on Saturday mornings. In conjunction with the activities at the rink the center sponsored Newark Night at the Meadows for a performance of "Walt Disney Magic Kingdom on Ice." More than 10,000 people attended the sold-out event.

TENNIS PROGRAMS conducted by the Division were enlarged with some 500 youngsters participating in the Ashe, Bojette, Agassi Instructional Tennis Program conducted at West Side High School and Weequahic Park. Tennis champions Arthur Ashe, Nick Bollettieri and Andre Agassi have lent their support to this project. In addition, an "Ar Ruffin Memorial Team Tournament" was held at the Mountainside Tennis Center in December in which more than 100 players participated.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

THE NEWARK DISTANCE CLASSIC was the 14th annual running event held in Newark which included a 2 mile Fun Run and a 4 mile and 20K foot race. A record number of 2,500 participants from the U.S. and abroad ran in the race. The 20K Men's and Women's Divisions were designated as State Championship Runs by the Athletics Congress. Kevin Roland of Piscataway, and Marilyn Hulak-Cofnuk, of Verona, won first place in the men's and women's divisions.

UNITED STATES YOUTH GAMES tryouts were held in April and May at various locations in the city. More than 2,000 young athletes competed for the 78 slots in the U.S. Youth Games Championships, which were held in Paterson, N.J. in August. Boys and girls aged 9 to 15 competed in swimming, tennis, volleyball, basketball, bowling and track and field contests against youngsters from 16 other cities. They also participated in youth oriented workshops. A total of 104 youngsters and their coaches participated in the event.

## CULTURAL AFFAIRS

**KING A POIGNANT PORTRAYAL** celebrated both the birthday of the late civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Black History Month with an exhibit of photographs by Robert A. Sengstacke in the Rotunda of City Hall. The exhibit ran from mid-January to the end of February. The unique exhibit of photos taken in the 1960s of the people and events surrounding Dr. King's life and death, was arranged by the Division and enlargements of the original works are now part of the City's permanent collection.

**IN THE SPIRIT BLACK HISTORY MONTH '88** featured playwright Ntozake Shange, pianist/vocalist Kim Jordan, poets/authors Amiri and Amina Baraka, along with a jazz quartet, and photographer Robert Sengstacke in a series of performances and presentations.

**FOURTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF PEOPLE** celebrated the city's ethnic diversities with music, food, exhibits, arts and crafts, service exhibits, a health fair conducted by the city's Division of Community Health, and a marketplace. The Division of Recreation and Cultural Affairs was one of a number corporate and community co-sponsors.

**NEWARK-A DAY IN THE CITY** was a photographic look at all aspects of the city on display in the City Hall Rotunda in October. The documentary works of 27 photographers was jointly sponsored by the Division along with Prudential Insurance Co., Eastman Kodak Co., the New Jersey Institute of Technology, TruColor Labs, Inc., New Jersey Bell and the Essex County Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs.

## DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES

The Division of Social Services' responsibilities are to children, through the Newark Office of Children (day care) and the Child Care Food Program (SuNuP) and to senior citizens, through the Newark Office on Aging and the Newark Nutrition Project for the Elderly.

THE NEWARK OFFICE OF CHILDREN integrates the activities of child care facilities in Newark. It monitors and provides technical assistance to child care providers and provides workshops, seminars and conferences on issues of early childhood educational theories and philosophies. Through the Division, the Office of Children provided \$559,991 in matching funds to 17 federally funded day care centers which provided child care to 1,998 children. In 1988, the Office of Children received a grant of \$13,152 from the Division of Youth and Family Services, with an in-kind match of \$1,500 from the City, to train Family Day Care Providers. The Office of Children conducted 70 site visits, training sessions for 720 workers at day care facilities and 33 training sessions for Family Day Care Providers.

THE CHILD CARE FEEDING PROGRAM (SuNuP) provides lunches and/or snacks through nonprofit organizations such as churches and community and recreation centers which offer after school activities for children aged 6 through 12. SuNuP also provides two main meals and/or snacks to day care centers maintaining valid state licenses or certificates of approval for children aged 2 through 5. The summer component of the SuNuP Program serves any eligible child aged 1 to 18 years old at 126 sites.

	1987	1988
<u>Summer/SuNuP</u>		
Breakfast	122,475	90,340
Lunch	262,733	186,868
<u>Child Care</u>		
Breakfast	31,760	28,870
Lunch	41,485	21,224
Dinner	157,754	111,527
P.M. Snack	27,564	37,338

NEWARK OFFICE ON AGING was augmented in 1988 by the re-establishment of the Newark Senior Citizen Commission by Mayor James. The new 15 member Commission serves as an advisory board to the Division on issues concerning senior citizens and implementing programs and projects through grants from private foundations and other sources.

Multipurpose senior citizen centers are in 10 locations throughout the city. Seven of these centers also serve as elderly nutrition sites, the remaining three prepare meals on site with food purchased from the N.J. Department of Agriculture. In addition, recreational, cultural, education, health and social service assistance is provided to all center participants.

Transportation services, using agency vans, provide Meals-On-Wheels services to program participants in the South and Central Wards. In addition, the Newark Office on Aging operates a transportation program with municipal funds to hire buses to transport senior citizen groups to various recreational, cultural, and social activities throughout the year. In 1988 the agency conducted two major excursions, one to Eastern Canada and another to Myrtle Beach, S.C. in which some 200 senior citizens participated.

Nutrition services are provided through the Newark Nutrition Project for the Elderly, funded under a Title III grant of the Older Americans Act through the Essex County Office on Aging. Services for senior citizens, aged 60 and older, include congregate meals at 19 nutrition sites, home delivered meals, Meals-On-Wheels, nutrition education and supportive services.

	<u>1987</u>	1988
Congregate Meals	283,783	252,096
Meals-On-Wheels	69,389	71,907
Home Delivered Meals from Congregate Centers	21,663	17,443
Recreational/Cultural Educational Participants	264,283	272,452
Bus Transportation	7,301	8,488

## DIVISION OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Division of Public Welfare provides temporary financial, medical and ancillary services to low income individuals and childless couples. The Division also refers welfare recipients to social service agencies for job training and employment and educational opportunities.

In 1988 the Division serviced 5,200 clients a month. The services included referrals to other social service agencies such as Aid to Families with Dependent Children, for pregnant women, Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income for disabled clients, Unemployment benefits and various health care services.

In addition to these referrals the agency processed cases regarding fraud and workmen's compensation and assigned clients to the General Assistance Employment Program. Clients also received assistance with inpatient and outpatient hospital costs, prescriptions, mental health care and nursing home services. In conjunction with the U.S. Department of Labor and Industry's Division of Employment Services, the Division provided a special work component project in which some 2,000 clients were registered, compared to 3,214 the previous year, however, at 2,000 clients found employment, compared to the 600 in the program in 1987.

### General Assistance (Welfare) Payment Caseload

January, 1987 - 6,874	January, 1988 - 5,564
December, 1987 - 5,664	December, 1988 - 4,584

In 1988 9,841 cases were processed through the Division for services, which included the 4,641 new applications. However, as the result of intensive job referrals and referrals to other social service agencies, the caseload was maintained at 4,584, which means that 5,257 cases were taken out of the system.

The Division's monthly maintenance payments totaled \$10,969,390 in 1988, compared to \$13,153,959 in 1987.

The Division received a grant from University Hospital for the salary of a social caseworker at the hospital to process applications for potentially eligible General Assistance clients. This aided both the hospital's discharge procedures and the level of social services to those being released from the hospital.

The Division worked with private developers who purchased housing for the homeless. Through this the Division placed more than 100 clients in noncommercial emergency shelters at rates that were less than hotel rates.

In 1988 the Division expended \$1,107,051 in emergency assistance, an increase over the \$924,031 expended in 1987. These funds, for the most part, were used to provide shelter for the homeless.

In 1988 the Division collected \$96,947 from successfully processed fraud cases, compared to \$37,444 in 1987.

### Disbursement of funds

Maintenance Assistance	\$10,969,390
Inpatient Hospitalization	15,572,571
Emergency Assistance	1,107,051
Other Medical Services	2,040,774
Bunals (for GA clients)	336,913

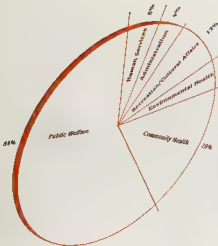
TOTAL	\$ 30,026,69
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In 1988 the State of New Jersey reimbursed \$19,260,000 to the Division.



## 1988 FISCAL SUMMARY

### THE NEWARK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OPERATING BUDGET FROM CITY FUNDS



OPERATING BUDGET	1987	1988
Community Health	\$3,400,806	\$3,549,050
Welfare	7,343,265	9,992,428
Environmental Health	1,172,350	1,108,996
Recreation/Cultural Affairs	1,760,960	2,269,556
Administration	728,943	776,538
Social Services	268,166	821,980
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 15,174,490</b>	<b>\$18,518,548</b>

### OVERALL 1988 FISCAL SUMMARY

City Funds Operating Budget	\$18,518,548
General Assistance (Welfare) from N.J. Department of Human Services	19,260,000
Grants	7,098,814
W.I.C. Food Expenditures through U.S. Dept. of Agriculture	4,145,705
Capital Budget	
New Construction	6,354,663
Renovation	4,900,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 60,277,730</b>

## FISCAL GRANTS-1988

### COMMUNITY HEALTH

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Comic Relief (Homeless)		\$ 77,500
W.I.C. Supplemental Food Program	\$ 569,600 (S)	\$ 450,000 (S)
Youth Development Clinic	\$ 39,206 (F) \$ +45,000 (M)	\$ 39,206 (F) \$ +45,000 (M)
North Ward First Aid Squad	\$ 14,700	
Tri-City Health Project	\$ 45,000 (F)	\$ 44,500 (F)
Ironbound Community Health	\$ 16,500 (F)	
Newark Community Health Center	\$ 225,000 (M)	
Public Health Priority Funding	\$ 492,398 (S)	\$ 500,663 (S)
S.T.D. Training Center	\$ 110,377 (S)	\$ 122,291 (S)
Childhood Lead Poisoning	\$ 246,500 (S)	\$ 247,900 (S)
Homeless Health Care	\$ 396,033 (P)+ \$ 552,042 (F)	\$ 399,038 (P)+ \$ 538,720 (F)
S.T.D.	\$ 158,514 (F) \$ 144,200 (S)	\$ 202,532 (S)
T.B.	\$ 45,454 (F) \$ 164,800 (S)	
H.I.V. Seroprevalence		\$ 17,672 (S)
A.I.D.S.		\$ 90,000 (S) \$ 40,000 (P)
TOTAL	\$3,265,324	\$2,815,022

### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Relocation Assistance	\$ 111,600 (S-M)	\$ 84,000 (S-M)
Rodent Control	\$ 154,141 (S)	\$ 150,141 (S)
TOTAL:	\$ 265,741	\$ 234,141

### SOCIAL SERVICES

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Nellie Grier Health Center	\$ 113,085 (F)	\$ 117,786 (F)
North Newark Senior Center	\$ 82,587 (F)	\$ 91,110 (F)
Office of Children	\$ 12,720 (S)	\$ 13,165 (S)
Nutrition Project for the Elderly	\$ 663,212 (C)	\$ 680,563 (C)
Central Ward Coalition	\$ 82,140 (F)	\$ 83,140 (F)
Vince Lombardi Memorial Center	\$ 50,000 (F)	\$ 50,000 (F)
Elizabeth Avenue Community Center	\$ 65,000 (F)	\$ 65,000 (F)
Unified Vailsburg Service Organization/Sr. Transp.	\$ 19,261 (F)	\$ 24,406 (F)
Child Care Food Program (SuNuP)	\$ 861,747 (S)	\$ 839,110 (S)
North Ward Center	\$ 50,000 (F)	\$ 50,000 (F)

Black Churchmen/Chamber of Commerce Employment Project	\$	20,000 (F)
La Casa de Don Pedro	\$	25,000 (F)
Greater Newark Conservancy	\$	25,000 (F)
Offender Aide and Restoration	\$	25,000 (F)
Newark Literacy Campaign	\$	25,000 (F)
Love Newark Campaign	\$	20,000 (F)
Unified Vailsburg Service Organization/Child Devel.	\$	15,000 (F)
Day Care Centers	\$	272,480 (F)
Day Care Centers	\$	342,211 (M)
TOTAL:	\$ 1,999,752	\$ 2,783,971

<b>WELFARE</b>	<b>1987</b>	<b>1988</b>
Emergency Shelter Grant	\$	36,000 (F)
Supplemental Assistance for Facilities to Assist Homeless	\$	881,329 (F)
Emergency Shelter Grant	\$	182,000 (F)
Emergency Shelter Grant	\$	29,000 (F)
Emergency Shelter Grant	\$	126,000 (F)
TOTAL:		\$ 1,254,329

<b>RECREATION &amp; CULTURAL AFFAIRS</b>	<b>1987</b>	<b>1988</b>
Receipts from Events:		
1988 Distance Classic	\$	7,181
Tennis Tournament	\$	1,170
Essex County Community Block	\$	3,000 (C)
TOTAL		\$ 11,351
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,530,817</b>	<b>\$ 7,098,814</b>

Source of Funds:  
(F) Federal  
(S) State  
(C) County  
(M) Municipal  
(P) Private



